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In Re Patent Application of: L. E. Frey et al.

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In response to the Office Action of 05/10/2004, in the above-designated application, please make the following amendments.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

- 1. (currently amended) A method of processing transactions, 1
- comprising the steps of:
- providing a plurality of processing databases of a plurality of 3
- types each having a respective agent; 4
- providing a transaction database; 5
- writing one or more transactions, each having a key and a detail, 6

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TOTAL CLAIMS	19 -	20 =	0	×	\$18.00	\$0.00	
INDEP. CLAIMS	3 -	3 =	0	×	\$86.00	\$0.00	
Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable)						\$0.00	
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$0.00	
 No additional fee is required for amendment. □ Please charge Deposit Account No. in the amount of □ A check in the amount of to cover the filing fee is enclosed. ☑ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. ☑ Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16. ☑ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17. 							
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